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J. MORESEMAN et al.	) Group Art Unit: 1641
Application Number: 09/889,795	) Examiner: Mary E. Ceperley
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For: SIMPLE METHODS FOR LABELED CONJUGATE PRODUCTION	TECH CENTER 1600/2000

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The following is submitted in response to the Office Action of January 27, 2003.

Please consider the following remarks.

## I. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for responding to the Office Action mailed on January 27, 2003, in the above-captioned patent application. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the time for response be extended up to and including May 27, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or credit the fee for Extension of Time in the amount of \$920.00 and any difference to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

## II. RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the Office Action, the Examiner requested restriction to one of the following groups of claims under 35 U.S.C. §§121 and 372:

I. Claim 1, drawn to a vessel containing NHS, a water soluble carbodiimide and a label.